Jill E. Alward, Esq.
Timothy W. Salter, Esq. **BLANK ROME LLP**The Chrysler Building
405 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10174
(212) 885-5000

Attorneys for Stearns Lending, LLC f/k/a Stearns Lending, Inc.

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re:

Chapter 11

Case No. 08-13555-scc

LEHMAN BROTHERS HOLDINGS INC., et al.,

Debtors.

AFFIRMATION IN SUPPORT OF EX PARTE APPLICATION
FOR THE ENTRY OF AN ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE AND SETTING A HEARING ON
THE MOTION OF STEARNS LENDING, LLC PURSUANT TO RULE 60(b)(6) OF THE

FEDERAL RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE FOR AN ORDER VACATING THE "ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCEDURES ORDER FOR INDEMNIFICATION CLAIMS OF THE DEBTORS AGAINST MORTGAGE LOAN SELLER, STEARNS LENDING, LLC f/k/a STEARNS LENDING, INC."

Stearns Lending, LLC f/k/a Stearns Lending Inc. ("Stearns Lending") hereby files this *ex parte* application ("Application") for entry of an Order to Show Cause, substantially in the form of the order attached hereto as Exhibit A, staying Stearns Lending's obligations under this Court's Alternative Dispute Resolution Procedures Order for Indemnification Claims of the Debtors Against Mortgage Loan Seller, Stearns Lending, LLC f/k/a Stearns Lending, Inc. (the "ADR Order") and setting a hearing on an expedited basis on Stearns Lending's Motion pursuant to *Rule* 60(b)(6) of the *Federal Rules of Civil Procedure* seeking to vacate same.

BASIS FOR RELIEF

1. On July 21, 2014, the Court entered the ADR Order directing debtor Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. ("LBHI") and Stearns Lending to engage in certain Alternative Dispute

08-13555-mg Doc 48241 Filed 02/17/15 Entered 02/17/15 15:22:54 Main Document Pq 2 of 4

Resolution Procedures in connection with alleged indemnification claims held by LBHI against

Stearns Lending.

2. On January 26, 2015, Stearns Lending received an Indemnification ADR Package

(the "Claim") from LBHI which, pursuant to the terms of the ADR Order, activated a twenty-

eight day period during which Stearns Lending must respond.

3. In preparing its response to the Claim however it became apparent that LBHI does

not hold any enforceable claims against Stearns Lending as a matter of law as: (1) LBHI does not

possess a right to be indemnified by Stearns Lending; and (2) any claims assigned to LBHI are

barred by the statute of limitations.

4. In light of the foregoing, and in order to prevent LBHI and Stearns Lending from

incurring the substantial cost of preparing for and participating in premature mediation, Stearns

Lending submits that sufficient cause exists to have its Motion heard on an emergency basis.

NO PRIOR REQUEST

5. No previous request for the relief requested herein has been made to this or any

other court.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth herein, Stearns Lending respectfully requests

that this Court enter an order, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, (i) granting

the relief requested herein and (ii) granting Stearns Lending such other and further relief as the

Court deems proper and just.

Dated: February 13, 2015

New York, NY

/s/ Timothy W. Salter

Jill E. Alward, Esq.

Timothy W. Salter, Esq.

Blank Rome LLP

The Chrysler Building

405 Lexington Ave.

New York, NY 10174

EXHIBIT A

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

Chapter 11

In re:

Case No. 08-13555-scc

LEHMAN BROTHERS HOLDINGS INC., et al.,

Debtors.

[PROPOSED] ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

This mater having come before this Court by the *ex parte* application (the "Application") of Stearns Lending, LLC f/k/a Stearns Lending, Inc. ("Stearns Lending"), for the entry of an order to show cause, granting a stay, and seeing a hearing on an expedited basis on Stearns Lending's motion ("Motion") for entry of an order pursuant to *Rule 60(b)(6)* of the *Federal Rules of Civil Procedure* seeking to vacate the "Alternative Dispute Resolution Procedures Order for Indemnification Claims of the Debtors Against Mortgage Loan Seller, Stearns Lending, LLC f/k/a Stearns Lending, Inc.," (the "Order") and the Court having considered the Application, and for good cause shown, it is hereby:

ORDERED, that the Defendants show cause before the Honorable Shelley C. Chapman, United States Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court, One Bowling Green, Room 623, New York, NY 10004-1408, on the _____ day of _____, 2015 at 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, why an order should not be issued and entered vacating the Order.; and it is further

ORDERED that Stearns Lending's obligation to respond to the Indemnification ADR Package within twenty-eight (28) days of its service by LBHI is hereby stayed pending the entry of a further order by this Court; and is further

08-13555-mg Doc 48241 Filed 02/17/15 Entered 02/17/15 15:22:54 Main Document Pg 4 of 4

ORDERED that service of a copy of this Order and Motion shall be made upon
Wollmuth Maher & Deutsch LLP, counsel for LBHI by express overnight mail no later than
, 2015, which service shall be deemed good and sufficient service thereof; and it is
further
ORDERED that to the extent LBHI desires to respond to the Motion, such response must
be served on Blank Rome LLP, counsel for Stearns Lending, no later than, 2015;
and it is further
ORDERED that the reply papers of Stearns Lending, if any, must be served on or before
, 2015.
Dated: New York, New York February, 2015
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE